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amendments?

CLERK: I have nothing further on the committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: We're back now then to a discussion of the committee amendments. Okay, we do have an amendment to the committee amendments.

CLERK: May I read some things in, Mr. President?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Please, items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, Banking Committee reports (LB) 335 to General File with amendments attached, signed by Senator Landis. Revenue reports (LB) 24 and (LB) 583 to General File, (LB) 443, (LB) 634, (LB) 696, (LB) 745, LR 64CA, and LR 65CA as indefinitely postponed. And I have a hearing notice from Banking Committee. (See pages 845-47 of the Legislative Journal.) Senator Chambers would move to amend the committee amendments. (See FA45 as found on page 847 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers, to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this is a serious amendment also. In lines 7 and 8, and this is of AM0591 that I am offering the amendment, in lines 7 and 8, "five hundred thousand" and insert "one million". Senstor Crosby, did you have a chance to hear that? Thank you. Members of the Legislature, those of you who want to do something for this program, Senator Witek, everybody else who has thought that my amendment, my amendment, which would have dealt with the issue honestly, if you want to change this from a mere pittance, this is the opportunity. And I'm not amending the committee amendment to deal with these intervening years between now and the year 2000, this would take effect at the same time that that \$500,000 annual appropriation would be designed to take place. But before we go too far, let me ask... Senator Brown, I want to ask you a question because you're on the Appropriations Committee. Senator Brown, I would like to ask you a question.